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1. Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).
Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)
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2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. Y No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is
restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.: 1, 6-8, 18, 19, 24 (completely); 4, 9-10, 10-17, 24 (partially)
Remark on Protest The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest. No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1, 4 in part, 6-8, 9-10 in part, 13-17 in part, 18, 19, 24 in part

Use of ADAM 12 protein or a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid with a sequence of ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising:
i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid with a sequence of ADAM 12, and ii) detecting the binding of the nucleic acid; or the use of a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid with a sequence of ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid with a sequence of ADAM 12; or use of a nucleic acid molecule with a sequence of ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of preeclampsia or a related syndrome.

2. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-10 in part, 11, 12, 13-17 in part, 20-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12; or use of an inhibitor of the biological activity ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or use of ADAM 12 for the identification of an inhibitor of ADAM 12; a method for identification of an inhibitor of the biological activity of ADAM 12 comprising: i) contacting ADAM 12 with a suitable substrate, and ii) measuring the decrease in processing of the substrate in the presence as compared to the absence of a candidate for an inhibitor molecule; a method for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition wherein an inhibitor of ADAM 12 synthesized in adequate amounts, and formulated into a pharmaceutical composition. Wherein the ligand or inhibitor is a disintegrin domain metalloproteinase inhibitors, in particular KB-R7785 or a derivative thereof.

3. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-17 in part, 20-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12; or use of an inhibitor of the biological activity ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or use of ADAM 12 for the identification of an inhibitor of ADAM 12: a method for identification of an inhibitor of the biological activity of ADAM 12 comprising: i) contacting ADAM 12 with a suitable substrate, and ii) measuring the decrease in processing of the substrate in the presence as compared to the absence of a candidate for an inhibitor molecule: a method for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition wherein an inhibitor of ADAM 12 synthesized in adequate amounts, and formulated into a pharmaceutical composition. Wherein the ligand or inhibitor is a TIMP, in particular TIMP-1, TIMP-2, or TIMP-3.

4. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-17 in part, 20 in part, 21 in part, 23-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12. Wherein the ligand is IGFBP-3 or IGFBP-5.

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12. Wherein the ligand is HB-EGF.

6. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-17 in part, 20-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12; or use of an inhibitor of the biological activity ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or use of ADAM 12 for the identification of an inhibitor of ADAM 12: a method for identification of an inhibitor of the biological activity of ADAM 12 comprising: i) contacting ADAM 12 with a suitable substrate, and ii) measuring the decrease in processing of the substrate in the presence as compared to the absence of a candidate for an inhibitor molecule; a method for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition wherein an inhibitor of ADAM 12 synthesized in adequate amounts, and formulated into a pharmaceutical composition. Wherein the ligand or inhibitor is alpha2-macroglobulin.

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12. Wherein the ligand is PKC-delta.

8. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-17 in part, 20 in part, 21 in part, 23-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12. Wherein the ligand is alpha-actinin or alpha-actinin-2.

9. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-17 in part, 20 in part, 21 in part, 23-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12. Wherein the ligand is src.

10. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-17 in part, 20 in part, 21 in part, 23-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12. Wherein the ligand is Grb-2.

11. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-17 in part, 20 in part, 21 in part, 23-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12. Wherein the ligand is syndecan-4.

12. claims: 2-5 in part, 9-17 in part, 20-28 in part

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12; or use of an inhibitor of the biological activity ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or use of ADAM 12 for the identification of an inhibitor of ADAM 12; a method for identification of an inhibitor of the biological activity of ADAM 12 comprising: i) contacting ADAM 12 with a suitable substrate, and ii) measuring the decrease in processing of the substrate in the presence as compared to the absence of a candidate for an inhibitor molecule; a method for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition wherein an inhibitor of ADAM 12 synthesized in adequate amounts, and formulated into a pharmaceutical composition. Wherein the ligand or inhibitor is an antibody, or the ligand is a nucleic acid or protein aptamer.

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12; or use of an inhibitor of the biological activity ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or use of ADAM 12 for the identification of an inhibitor of ADAM 12; a method for identification of an inhibitor of the biological activity of ADAM 12 comprising: i) contacting ADAM 12 with a suitable substrate, and ii) measuring the decrease in processing of the substrate in the presence as compared to the absence of a candidate for an inhibitor molecule; a method for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition wherein an inhibitor of ADAM 12 synthesized in adequate amounts, and formulated into a pharmaceutical composition. Wherein the ligand or inhibitor is P-LAP.

Use of a ligand binding specifically to ADAM 12 for diagnosis of preeclampsia or related syndrome; or a method for the identification of ligands binding specifically to ADAM 12 comprising contacting ADAM 12 with at least one candidate for a ligand, and ii) measuring the binding of the candidate for a ligand to ADAM 12; or a method for diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome comprising: i) bringing a biopsy or bodily fluid sample in contact with a specifically binding ligand to ADAM 12 and ii) detecting the binding of ligand; or the use of a ligand binding to ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a diagnostic for the diagnosis of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or a diagnostic or a diagnostic kit containing a ligand binding to ADAM 12: or use of an inhibitor of the biological activity ADAM 12 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of preeclampsia or a related syndrome; or use of ADAM 12 for the identification of an inhibitor of ADAM 12; a method for identification of an inhibitor of the biological activity of ADAM 12 comprising: i) contacting ADAM 12 with a suitable substrate, and ii) measuring the decrease in processing of the substrate in the presence as compared to the absence of a candidate for an inhibitor molecule; a method for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition wherein an inhibitor of ADAM 12 synthesized in adequate amounts, and formulated into a pharmaceutical composition.

Wherein the ligand or inhibitor is not comprised in the above-mentioned subjects 1-13.

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